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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated July 17, 2008 (Paper No. 20080714), for which a response is due on November 17, 2008 with a one month extension of time. A Petition for Extension of Time is cofiled herewith. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.